

# COMMITTEE REPORT

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## MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred Senate Joint Resolution No. 3, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1           Page 2, line 15, after "as" insert "**provided in subsection (b),**
- 2           **property may not be taxed for general fund purposes of common**
- 3           **schools or for other general operating purposes of common schools.**
- 4           **(b) Property taxes that are approved by the voters may be**
- 5           **imposed for the general fund purposes of common schools or for**
- 6           **other general operating purposes of common schools.**
- 7           **(c) For purposes of this section, general fund purposes or**
- 8           **general operating purposes do not include any of the following:**
- 9               **(1) Transportation costs, including bus and vehicle**
- 10              **replacement costs.**
- 11              **(2) Capital project costs.**
- 12              **(3) Debts related to capital projects.**
- 13              **(4) Debts related to employee retirement or severance**
- 14              **liability.**
- 15              **(5) Special education preschool costs.**
- 16              **(6) Costs attributable to programs for improving or**
- 17              **maintaining racial balance in a school corporation.**
- 18              **(7) Other purposes that:**

- 1                   **(A) are specified by the general assembly; and**
- 2                   **(B) are not general operating purposes."**
- 3                   Page 2, delete lines 16 through 23.  
                    (Reference is to SJR 3 as introduced.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass .**

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 1.

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**Senator Meeks, Chairperson**